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Appln. Title: OPTICAL VEND-SENSING SYSTEM
 FOR CONTROL OF VENDING
 MACHINE

Filed: March 3, 1999
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REPLY/AMENDMENT/LETTER

Date: August 1, 2000

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3. Independent Claims		7		***minus 4	3	x \$78/\$39 =	+ \$117	102/202
4. If amendment enters proper multiple dependent claim(s) into this application for first time (leave blank if this is a reissue application)..... add						+ \$260/\$130 =	+ \$0	104/204
5. Original due Date:		<input type="checkbox"/> NONE						
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7. Enter any previous extension fee paid since above original due date and subtract						- \$0		
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9. If Terminal Disclaimer attached, add Rule 20(d) official fee						+ \$110/\$55 =		+ \$0 148/248
10. If IDS attached requires Official Fee, add						+ \$240 =		126
or if Rule 97(d) Petition add						+ \$130 =		122
11. After-Final Request Fee per rules 129(a) and 17(r)						+ \$690/345 =		+ \$0 146/246
12. No. of additional inventions for examination per Rule 129(b)						x \$690/345 ea =		+ \$0 149/249
13. Request for Continued Examination (RCE)						+ \$690/345 =		+ \$0 179/279
14. Petition fee for						+ \$0		
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